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Calicut, protesting against the location of an arrack shop, the report called for on the same and the orders of Government thereon as promised in reply to question No. 1105-B?

A.—The Government have not yet received the report called for on the subject.

Location of a liquor shop in Buckinghampet.

*1832 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a liquor shop in Buckinghampet, Bezwada, is located in the midst of houses resided by vakils and other respectable people;

(*b*) whether the Bezwada public and municipal council have protested and sent protests to the Collector, Excise officer and Government; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the protests have not been heeded and that the shop is continued in the same locality?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government are not aware that the facts are as suggested. No representations have been received on the subject. A report has been called for.

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO:—"May I know whether the policy of the Government is to remove these liquor shops from the residential quarters of respectable people?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"As regards the location of these arrack and toddy shops there are rules already."

Location of a toddy shop in Arundalpeta.

*1833 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a toddy shop is located at the entrance of Karnukapuram (labour quarters) in Arundalpeta, Bezwada, where the Bezwada Municipal Council has given sites to poor labourers to live;

(*b*) whether the municipality has protested several times against the continuance of the shop there; and

(*c*) whether the protests have not been cared for?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have called for a report on the subject

Public Health

Levy of centage charges for sanitary works by the Public Works Department.

*1834 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether $15\frac{1}{2}$ per cent centage charges are levied by the Public Works Department for all sanitary works executed by them;

(*b*) whether the same rate of charges is levied also on the cost of cast iron pipes got for water-supply schemes;

(*c*) whether the cost of these pipes forms about two-thirds the cost of water-supply schemes; and

(*d*) whether the local bodies have complained to the Government that centage charges are unnecessarily levied on such articles?